

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Columbia, South Carolina

April 9, 2003

The State Board of Education held its April meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, April 9, 2003, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. Greg Killian, Chair; Dr. Mary E. Jones, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Mr. Carlos A. Cervantes; Mr. Clarence Dickert; Mr. Mike Forrester; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Mr. James Mattos; Dr. Harriett L. Rucker; Mrs. Terrye C. Seckinger; Mrs. Rebecca Smith; Mr. Chris Verenes; and Mrs. Kristi Woodall. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education. *(Board members unable to attend were Dr. Anne S. Crook and Mr. Marion B. Lee, Jr. who were excused for their absence.)*

OPENING

Chair Killian introduced a special guest, Mrs. Sarah Brewer. Mrs. Brewer is a former Board member from the Twelfth Judicial Circuit. Mrs. Brewer led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to the April 9, 2003, meeting of the State Board of Education.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 12, 2003

Mr. Mattos moved for the approval of the minutes of the March 12, 2003, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and then approved by the Board.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Forrester and approved by the Board.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Chair Killian welcomed the visitors present. Mrs. Paula Gray introduced Bill Robinson, *The State*.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT

RECOGNITION OF RICHLAND NORTHEAST MODEL UNITED NATIONS TEAM

State Superintendent of Education Inez M. Tenenbaum welcomed the award-winning Model United Nations team from Richland Northeast High School in Richland School District Two. This is the twentieth year that a team from Richland Northeast High School has participated in this prestigious conference and their fourteenth consecutive international championship. Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Dr. Mary Jones presented an engraved plaque to the team for this achievement.

**RECOGNITION OF THE DICK AND TUNKY RILEY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL
AWARD WINNER**

Superintendent Tenenbaum announced that the South Carolina School Improvement Council created the Dick and Tunky Riley Award to recognize outstanding achievement and civic engagement by one of the state's school improvement councils. Former Governor and United States Secretary of Education Dick Riley and his wife, Tunky, presented the first award to the School Improvement Council of Richland Northeast High School. Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board member Dr. Mary Jones presented an engraved plaque to the representatives of the council for this accomplishment.

RECOGNITION OF THE NATION'S BEST MIDDLE SCHOOL ART TEACHER

Superintendent Tenenbaum introduced Scot Hockman of Irmo Middle School in Lexington/Richland School District Five. Mr. Hockman was chosen as the National Middle School Art Teacher of the Year. Superintendent Tenenbaum and Board members Dr. Mary Jones and Mr. Clarence Dickert presented Mr. Hockman with a glass engraved plaque for this honor.

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

Superintendent Tenenbaum introduced the Lexington High School Honors Drama Class. This class was recently in the South Carolina International Thespian Society State Competition in Beaufort, where they not only won first place in several of the categories, but they qualified in all of them to go to the national competition in Lincoln, Nebraska, the last week of June. The class performed a few of their selections for the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public speakers for this meeting.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Marion B. Lee, Chair
Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee

Dr. Harriett Rucker, Chair
Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee

Mrs. Kristin Maguire, Chair
Finance and Legislative Committee

Mr. Greg Killian, Chair
Educational Policy Committee

56. Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee—Mr. James Mattos reported for Mr. Marion B. Lee that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee (*TRTC*) met on Tuesday, April 8, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 8, 2003—Mr. Mattos reported that the agenda for the April 8, 2003, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2003, TRTC Committee Meeting—Mr. Mattos reported that the minutes from the March 11, 2003, meeting were approved.

03. TRTC Committee Meeting Overview—Mr. Mattos reported that Dr. Janice Poda, Senior Director, Division of Teacher Quality, gave a brief overview of the items that were presented to the TRTC Committee.

Mr. Mattos reported that items 56-04 and 56-05 were placed on the consent agenda.

Other Business—Mr. Mattos reported that Dr. Elizabeth Gressette, Executive Director of the Palmetto State Teachers Association, addressed the Board regarding the certification process for National Board certified teachers.

55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee—Dr. Harriett Rucker reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Tuesday, April 8, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 8, 2003—Dr. Rucker reported that the agenda for April 8, 2003, was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2003—Dr. Rucker reported that the minutes of the March 11, 2003, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

Dr. Rucker reported that items 55-03, 55-04, and 55-05 were placed on the consent agenda.

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54. Finance and Legislative Committee—Mrs. Kristin Maguire reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, April 8, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 8, 2003—Mrs. Maguire reported that the agenda for the April 8, 2003, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2003—Mrs. Maguire reported that the minutes of the March 11, 2003, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved.

Mrs. Maguire reported that items 54-03 and 54-04 were placed on the consent agenda.

Other Business—Mrs. Maguire reported that a question was raised about the status of responding to the Economic Development Task Force and Pathways to Prosperity findings. The committee received a brief impromptu report from the Department on the response to these studies.

Mrs. Maguire reported that the following item was submitted for information:

- **State Board of Education Financial Statements**

52. Educational Policy Committee—Chair Killian reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Tuesday, April 8, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for April 8, 2003—Chair Killian reported that the agenda for the April 8, 2003, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of March 11, 2003—Chair Killian reported that the minutes for the March 11, 2003, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved.

03. Charter School Application and Timeline

On behalf of the Educational Policy Committee, Mr. Killian moved that the State Board of Education approve the Charter School Application and Timeline as amended and that second reading be waived.

After discussion, the motion was approved by the Board with four opposing votes by Mr. Hostetler, Mr. Dickert, Mr. Mattos, and Mr. Verenes.

04B. House Request Regarding State Board of Education Regulation 43-53, Credential Classification

On behalf of the Educational Policy Committee, Mr. Killian moved that the State Board of Education approve the House of Representatives request to withdraw, amend, and resubmit

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Regulation 43-53, Doc. No. 2776, Credential Classification. The motion was approved by Board.

Chair Killian reported that item 52-04A was placed on the consent agenda.

Other Business—Chair Killian reported that Dale Stuckey, Esquire, Office of General Counsel, presented an update on H.3378, which provides that beginning July 1, 2003, the powers and duties of the State Board of Education as provided by law shall be devolved upon the State Superintendent of Education.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were approved by the Board without further debate upon motion by Mrs. Maguire, seconded by Mrs. Seckinger:

56-04. The Teacher Advancement Program's (TAP's) approval as an alternate teacher evaluation program (Second Reading)

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

56-05. Revisions to the guidelines for the Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE) (Second Reading)

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

55-03. 2003–04 Instructional Television Resources Proposal

The Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee approved this item as presented.

55-04. South Carolina Visual and Performing Arts Curriculum Standards Revised Draft (First Reading)

The Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee approved this item as presented.

55-05. Petition for Promulgation of Amendments to Regulations 43-243, Special Education, Education of Students with Disabilities, and 43-243.1, Criteria for Entry into Programs of Special Education for Students with Disabilities

The Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee approved this item as presented.

54-03. Request for Waiver of Requirement to Reduce Millage for Anderson County School District One

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

54-04. Recommended Approval of Property Disposal—Berkeley County School District

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

52-04A. House Request Regarding State Board of Education Regulation 43-600, Charter School Regulations

The Educational Policy Committee approved this item as presented.

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REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TEACHER LICENSURE ISSUES OF APRIL 8, 2003

Chair-Elect Jones gave a report of the actions taken by the State Board of Education concerning teacher licensure issues in the State of South Carolina on Tuesday, April 8, 2003.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2003

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the minutes of the April 8, 2003. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mattos and approved by the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS

House Request Regarding State Board of Education Regulation 43-601, Charter Schools—Dale Stuckey, Esquire, Office of General Counsel, reported that a request was received from the House Education and Public Works Committee to withdraw, amend, and resubmit R43-601, Charter Schools, regarding the adverse impact section.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education withdraw, amend, and resubmit Regulation 43-601, Charter Schools, as proposed by the House Education and Public Works Committee. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Smith and approved by the Board.

Chair Killian reminded the Board members that the ad hoc committees would meet following adjournment, followed by New Board Member Orientation at 11:00 AM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Maguire moved that the Board adjourn. Mr. Mattos seconded the motion. There being no further business the Board adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Chair

Secretary